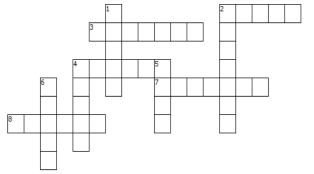
### Our Lady of Lourdes Children's Corner 15th Sunday of Ordinary Time

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#### ACROSS

MONEY

- 2. A stick or cane carried as an aid in walking or climbing
- 3. A trip over a great distance
- 4. The number of disciples Jesus
- 7. A community where people live that is smaller than a town or city
- 8. To deliver a sermon; to proclaim the Word of God

**PREACH** 

- 1. Coins or bills used to buy things
- 2. Shoes consisting of a bottom par held onto the foot by straps
- 4. To instruct, train, or give knowledge to others

**EVIL** 

- 5. Something that is bad or wrong; wicked
- 6. A basic food made from flour. water, and yeast mixed together and baked

TEACH

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Take nothing for the journey except a staff. Mark 6:8

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**BREAD** 

Match the words in the box with the correct

Calling the Twelve to him, he sent them out two by two. Mark 6:7 (NIV)

## OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH OF SEVEN HILLS "Still a wonderful place to pray & stay".

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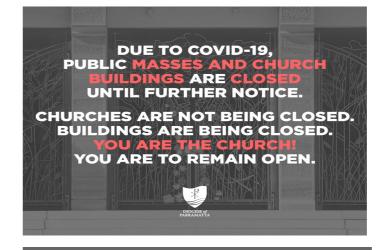
Ms Keiran Byrnes Principal: Parish Church: 7 Grantham Rd, Seven Hills 2147

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION 21st July 2021 7.30pm

BAPTISMS 2nd & 4th Sunday 11am

## **Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time** •Year B — 11 July 2021•

All are welcome to join us for Our Lady of Lourdes, Seven Hills, Sydney, NSW, Australia Facebook LIVE-STREAM WEEKEND MASSES celebrated by Fr. Henry Huu Duc Tran on Saturdays 6PM (Vigil), Sundays: 8AM, 9:30AM https://www.facebook.com/OLOL7Hills/



#### **Pope Francis' Prayer to Mary** during the coronavirus pandemic

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm. You, Salvation of all People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection.

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

#### Let us Pray for the Sick

Chula Abey, Leonila Ahillon, George Alagiah, David Barrow, David Benjamin, John Bourke, Lina Cabaero, Barrie Chamberlain, Gabriel Chung, Myrna G Cruz, Paul Daniel, Melvin Fernandes, Ronald Gomez, Milroy Gunewardena, Anthony Janicska, Wendy & Klaus, Anslen Lawrence, Angelina Lee, Spencer Leon, Cynthia Lopez,

Carmenu M, Gerard Marcello, Marie Marchand, Maria V, Mark McGilligan, Blago & Dragica Milicevic, Laurel Morris, Anna Mun, Ananda Nayana, Patricia Oreo, Lekisha Grace Panlilio, Roger & Kimberley Payoe, Wiranjan Peiris, Salome Pillay, Debra Price, Camy Ratnam, Sandra Rosewom, Susantha Seranayake, Bernie Sivapatham, Joan Spillane, Rose Stambouliah, Pummalin Sumcad, Denis Symon, Lourdes Tibig, Sue Tipaldo, Natalie Woodward.

If you would like to add to our Sick List or know of any Parishioner that is unwell please contact Father Henry or the Parish Office on 9622 2920. We can also arrange for Holy Communion or a visit if required.

#### Let us Pray for the Deceased

Recently Deceased: Pamela Ambrose, Romualdo Austria Snr, Emma Bellissimo, Armando Catania, Aloyseon Corera, Charles Do, Sean Durkan, Nilesh Evans, Cruz Fernandez, Rodora Garcia, Teresita Garganteil, Travis Gerreyn, Robert Gray, Jeffrey Hunter, 'Raj' Selvam Irudayaraj, Shanil Jayatilake, Apolinar Jorge, Noly Diaz Limbawan, Modesta Lorenzo, Mary Mifsud, Rene Monteclaro, Rogelio Moscaya sn, Nancy Mulholland, Bernardo Naringahon, Bonifacio Ngalongalay, Peter Van Giao Nguyen, Francisco Nievales, Virgilio Naringahon, Neil Nuevaespana, Custodio Palmos Jr, Rena Rose Pinto, Dale Rohe, Mary Said, Mary Silva, Melchor Miranda Usman, Domingo Villarta.

Anniversaries: Emma Aramini, Cecil Beed, Attilio Cavallaro, Jacqueline & Edmond Clarisse, Rita De Silva, Philomena Corera, Maria Thuc Trinh Dang, Alejandra Dayrit, Saviour Steve Gauci, Brian Jordan, Alice & Joseph George, Joseph Binh Chanh Lam, Salvatore, Luigi & Lorenzo op. Loria, Antonio, Alberto, Francesco & Giuseppe Mancina, Beryl McKertich, Lourda Motha, Paul Mula, Eamon O'Sullivan, Custodio Palmos Sr., Nieves Palmos, Lakshman Perera, Cornelio & Iluminada Rondario, Alexis & Chantal Sauzier, Floriana Serna, Mary Silva, Pauline Soares, Peter Van Nhon Tran.

Remembrance: France Angseesing, Roy, Mary & Des Barney, Peter & Helen Bonnici, Sam Borg, Rose Fernandes, Michael Gachia, Sharon & John Lawrence, Apolinario & Felina Maglaya, Pauline Meilak, Joe and Anne Menezes, Lourda Motha, Stephen & Louis Mula, Muscat family, Pineda Family, Roseline Ratnam, Yabut family.

#### Planned Giving Program

On behalf of the Parish Community, I would like to thank you so much for your ongoing support, which has been very vital to keep our Parish going strong. Projects completed include the Hall Kitchen renovation, Parish Meeting Room painting, Parish Office and Meeting Room Roof painted, Church roof cleaned and ceiling repaired and painted.

#### **ON-LINE BANK DONATIONS**

BSB: 067 950:

Account Number 000552;

Account Name: Seven Hills Catholic Church.

(please include your NAME and ENVELOPE NUMBER in the reference description, or write DONATION if you haven't joined the Planned Giving Prog.

IN-PERSON BANK DEPOSIT (at a Bank Institute/Branch)

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#### FIRST READING

#### A reading from the Prophet Amos 7:12-15

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, 'Go away, seer; get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple.' I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets.' Amos replied to Amaziah, 'I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores: but it was the Lord who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord who said, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

(R.) Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace, peace for his people His help is near for those who fear him and his glory will dwell in our land. (R) Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced. Faithfulness shall spring from the earth and justice look down from heaven. (R.)

The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit. Justice shall march before him and peace shall follow his steps. (R.)

#### **SECOND READING**

#### A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Ephesians 1:3-14

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ. Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ, to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence, determined that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ for his own kind purposes, to make us praise the glory of his grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved, in whom, through his blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins. Such is the richness of the grace which he has showered on us in all wisdom and insight. He has let us know the mystery of his purpose, the hidden plan he so kindly made in Christ from the beginning to act upon when the times had run their course to the end: that he would bring everything together under Christ, as head, everything in the heavens and everything on earth. And it is in him that we were claimed as God's own, chosen from the beginning, under the predetermined plan of the one who guides all things as he decides by his own will; chosen to be, for his greater glory, the people who would put their hopes in Christ before he came. Now you too, in him, have heard the message of the truth and the good news of your salvation, and have believed it: and you too have been stamped with the seal of the Holy Spirit of the Promise, the pledge of our inheritance which brings freedom for those whom God has taken for his own, to make his glory praised.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.

Alleluia!

#### **GOSPEL**

#### A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 6:7-13

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff – no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals, but, he added, 'Do not take a spare tunic.' And he said to them, 'If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to them.' So they set off to preach repentance; and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them.

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#### PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the
Most Blessed Sacrament of the altar.
I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen

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#### .....POPE FRANCIS: SCIENCE IS A GREAT RESOURCE FOR BUILDING PEACE

#### No one should walk alone

"No scientific knowledge should walk alone and consider itself self-sufficient," he said.

Pope Francis continued saying historical reality is increasingly becoming one and "needs to be served in the plurality of knowledge, which in its specific nature contributes to the growth of a new culture capable of building up society by promoting the dignity and development of every man and woman."

He told those present they are entrusted with the task of "testifying to the possibility of building a new social bond, endeavouring to bring scientific research closer to all the community, from the local to the international, and that together it is possible to overcome every conflict."

"Science is a great resource for building peace!" he said.

Finally Pope Francis asked the experts to accompany the formation of the new generations, teaching them not to be afraid of the effort of research.

"The Master," the Pope concluded, "also lets Himself be sought: He instils in everyone the certainty that when one searches honestly one encounters the truth. The changing age needs new disciples of knowledge, and you, dear scientists, are the teachers of a new generation of peacemakers."

#### POPE FRANCIS LAYS OUT NEW FORMAT FOR 2022 WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES

Pope Francis releases a video message to describe the special format for the 2022 World Meeting of Families, and urges diocesan communities to be dynamic in planning initiatives as part of the event.

#### By Devin Watkins

As preparations get underway for the World Meeting of Families (WMF) set to take place on 22-26 June 2022, Pope Francis is urging Catholics around the globe to take part in the 10th edition of the event.

In a video message released on Friday, the Pope said a new format is being planned for the WMF event, which will have its focus on Rome but be held throughout the world.

"After being postponed for a year due to the pandemic, the desire to meet again is great," said the Holy Father.

#### From local to worldwide

He pointed out that past meetings were small events, which were perceived by many families as "something remote, at most followed on television, and unknown to the majority of families."

Responding to this situation, Pope Francis said the 2022 WMF will take on a special format.

After more than a year of remote working and learning, along with increased awareness of online tools, the meeting will be updated to allow more people to participate, despite physical distance.

"It will be an opportunity provided by Providence to create a worldwide event that can involve all the families that would like to feel part of the ecclesial community," said the Pope.

#### Multicentered and widespread format

The 10th World Meeting of Families will have a "multicentered and widespread format that will encourage the involvement of diocesan communities all over the world."

"Rome will be the main venue," said Pope Francis, "and there will be a number of delegates of family pastoral care participating in the Festival of Families, the Pastoral Congress, and the Holy Mass."

He added that these events will be broadcast throughout the globe.

#### **Bringing Rome home**

As the event is held in Rome, each diocese can become "the focal point for a local meeting for its families and communities," he said. "In this way, everyone will be able to participate, even those who cannot come to Rome."

The Pope then urged diocesan administrators around the world to begin preparations for the 2022 WMF.

"Wherever it is possible, I would like to invite diocesan communities to plan initiatives based on the theme of the meeting, and to use the symbols being prepared by the Diocese of Rome."

#### Dynamic, creative family ministry

Pope Francis encouraged diocesan planning teams to "be dynamic, active, and creative in organizing this with the families in harmony with what will be taking place in Rome."

He called it a great opportunity for Catholics to renew their commitment to family ministry.

"Take courage, then, dear pastors and dear families, and help each other to organise meetings in the dioceses and parishes on every continent," he said.

The Pope concluded asking everyone to pray for him.

"Have a good journey to the forthcoming World Meeting of Families!"

#### POPE FRANCIS AT ANGELUS: OPEN YOUR EYES TO GOD'S HUMBLE PRESENCE.

By Vatican News staff writer

Before leading the recitation of the Angelus, Pope Francis offered reflections on the Sunday Gospel reading which recounts when Jesus began to teach in the synagogue of his home town of Nazareth and the reaction of those present who questioned how he could have such wisdom coming from a humble family, the son of a carpenter. Their reaction was one of disbelief and resentment to which Jesus responded: "A prophet is not without honour, except in his own country, and among his own kin, and in his own house" (Mk 6:4).

#### Knowing and recognising

This attitude of Jesus's fellow villagers reflected how they thought they *knew Jesus*, *but they did not recognise him*. The Pope observed that the difference between knowing and recognising is something we need to all be aware of or we risk thinking we know everything about a person, when in reality our knowledge is superficial and we need to be open to learning more to *"recognise* the uniqueness of the person". In the worst case, we can start labeling others and become closed within or own prejudices, he noted, as the villagers who knew Jesus for thirty years did by not realising who Jesus truly was and refusing to appreciate what was new about Jesus.

#### Closure vs. openness

The Pope warned that if we let the ease of habit take over in us, it can lead to a "dictatorship of prejudice" where we close ourselves to novelty and the possibility of being amazed. We see this in our daily lives when we gravitate toward experiences or people who only conform to our ideas and world view, he noted. This can affect us in our faith life as well, where we can think we know everything about Jesus and have it all figured out. The Pope warned, however, that "without openness to what is new and to God's surprises, without amazement, faith becomes a tiring litany that slowly dies out". He underscored the importance of allowing ourselves to be amazed, which is the natural reaction to a true encounter with the Lord.

#### The scandal of the Incarnation

Returning to Mark's Gospel, the Pope said the reason Jesus's fellow villagers did not recognise him was because "they did not accept the scandal of the Incarnation". For them, he noted, it would be scandalous to think that the immensity of God should appear in the smallness of our human condition, that "the divine should be hidden in the human" with the words and gestures of an ordinary man and simple life situation. Here too, he observed, we might be more easily attracted to the idea of a distant god who is up in his world and we in our world or also a "special effects" god who does extraordinary things, provoking strong emotions. The Pope said we too need to be aware of falling into this way of thinking and to learn to see that "God incarnated Himself: God is humble, God is tender, God is hidden, he draws near to us, living the normality of our daily life". The Pope said Jesus is our companion. He became one of us and therefore understands us, accompanies us, forgives us and loves us so much.

In conclusion, Pope Francis called on us to pray that we, like Mary, may welcome the mystery of God in our daily life and have "eyes and hearts free of prejudices and open to being amazed at God's surprises, at His humble and hidden presence in daily life."

#### POPE FRANCIS: SCIENCE IS A GREAT RESOURCE FOR BUILDING PEACE

Addressing participants in an International Meeting of "Science for Peace" Pope Francis invites scientists to share scientific knowledge in the name of peace.

By Linda Bordoni

Pope Francis has reiterated his appeal to build together a better post pandemic world always seeking new forms of collaboration.

His call was conveyed in a video-message to participants at a two-day International Meeting dedicated to "Science for Peace" that provides scientists of different disciplines, researchers and Catholic academics with a platform where to share knowledge and promote a culture of peace.

The world class event is organized in collaboration with the Pontifical Academy of Sciences whose mission includes achieving a role for science which involves the promotion of justice, development, solidarity, peace, and the resolution of conflict and fostering interaction between faith and reason and encouraging dialogue between science and spiritual, cultural, philosophical and religious values.

#### A gift of hope

Describing the meeting as "a great gift of hope for humanity," the Pope said that "Never before as in this time have we been aware of the need to relaunch scientific research to face the challenges of contemporary society." This meeting he continued testifies that "there cannot and must not be any opposition between faith and science."

Recalling his Encyclical *Fratelli tutti*, and quoting from it throughout his discourse, the Pope said it is urgent to know reality "so as to build together", and he urged scientists to place their work at the service of all, always seeking new forms of collaboration, the sharing of results, and networking.

Moreover, he continued quoting from the Encyclical, it is important not to overlook the "risk that a single scientific advance will be seen as the only possible lens for viewing a particular aspect of life, society and the world."

He remarked on how the experience of the health emergency has underscored the urgency for "the world of science to rethink the prospects for prevention, treatment and health organisation, taking into account the anthropological implications linked to sociality and the quality of relations between family members and, above all, between generations."

#### FROM FR. HENRY DUC

Dear Friends.



Recently the Vatican magistrates decided to order the subpoena of ten people following the request presented by the Office of the Promoter of Justice, among whom were a prominent cardinal and an archbishop.

They will be put on trial before the end of this month for the crimes of fraud, embezzlement, abuse of office, appropriation of funds, money laundering, self-laundering, corruption, extortion, publication of documents under the cover of secrecy, false documentation, and falsified internal agreements.

The cardinal himself was charged of embezzlement and abuse of office in complicity with others, and subornation, and is expected to appear in court with the rest of the group for the first hearing schedule for July 27.

These charges against Church officials obviously relate to the issue of money and wealth, areas Jesus did warn his disciples to stay away from, and he encouraged them to leave everything behind to follow him and opt for a life with 'no bread, no haver-sack, no coppers for their purses' and even no extra piece of clothing. In other words, it was a life of total detachment from all worldly possessions Jesus expected his chosen collaborators to soldier on when he sent them out in pairs for their ministerial mission.

It's worthy to note that the only possession they were allowed to keep for themselves was a staff, which they could use as a walking stick or a self-defence weapon against wild beasts and unwanted customers.

More than just to provide mutual support to each other on their journey, their pairing companionship would help protect them from any false accusation, since according to the Jewish law, a judge could not declare an accused person guilty if there was only one witness to the alleged offence.

Armed with a staff and one set of clothing, the disciples were asked to go out to mix and mingle with their communities and carry out the tasks of preaching the message about repentance, casting out devils and healing the sick.

As Jesus' disciples in the world today, we have been called to carry out those same tasks of leading others in the way of repentance, bring healing to others through our works of charity, and helping to cast out devils by raising awareness in people around us of their destructive presence disguised in the thirst for money, fame and worldly recognition, something Pope Francis has repeatedly encouraged the Church to be on guard against.

Let us ask the Lord for his grace to keep us firm in the way of repentance, strong in bringing healing to people in our own community, and effective in our crusade against the influence of devils.

Have a grace-filled week. Fr Henry

## PARISH NEWS...



### MANDATORY ELECTRONIC CHECK-IN

As per NSW Health, from 12 July 2021, every one is required to sign in by using the **QR CODE**.

To make this new mandatory requirement as easy as possible, please follow our new guidelines;

- Enter through the foyer of the Church to use the QR Code (please keep screen open for checking, so we can continue to record and adhere to the correct number of attendees.)
- If you do not have a smart phone/access to a QR CODE, please enter through the side door (carpark door) and see the "Welcomer" for further instructions.
- Please arrive 10-15mins before Mass

We Thank you so much for your co-operation, patience, and understanding.

If you would like more information please contact the Parish office 9622 2920 Monday-Friday 9-3pm.

Information can also be found on the NSW Health website <a href="https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/rules/check-in/first-time-qr-code-users">https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/rules/check-in/first-time-qr-code-users</a>



TAI CHI & QIGONG Due to the current COVID-19 situation in Greater Sydney and the NSW Government's announcement to extend lockdown until Friday 19, please be advised that Tai Chi will not resume next week on 14 July until further notice.

**NEW PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES** are now available to collect. If you require a (non-tax deductable) receipt for the year ending June 2021, please contact the Parish Office. These will be available for collection at the end of July. We thank all parishioners for their ongoing generosity in supporting our Parish.

If you would like to be part of the Planned Giving Program, forms are available by contacting the Parish Office.

Contributions can be made through;

- Parish envelopes
- Parish envelopes (online) using credit card
- weekly or monthly contributions from your credit card by direct debit (the preferred option)

# UPDATE FOR POPE FRANCIS' SURGERY FOR SYMPTOMATIC DIVERTICUALAR STENOSIS OF THE

COLON. Sunday evening's surgery lasted about three hours. He will most likely remain at Gemelli hospital for seven days. Pope Francis is doing well and is alert, according to a statement released by the director of the Holy See Press Office, Matteo Bruni, in the latest medical bulletin released regarding the surgery the Pope underwent on Sunday evening.

Matteo Bruni said in his statement that Pope Francis is doing well overall, alert and breathing on his own. He said a hemicolectomy on the left side took place during the surgery, which lasted around three hours. He added that the Pope will remain at Gemelli hospital for seven days, barring any complications.

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#### FROM POPE FRANCIS



of good will.]

#### CHAPTER FOUR: Ecumenical and interreligious coexistence

106. In an Amazonian region characterized by many religions, we believers need to find occasions to speak to one another and to act together for the common good and the promotion of the poor. This has nothing to do with watering down or concealing our deepest convictions when we encounter others who think differently than ourselves. If we believe that the Holy Spirit can work amid differences, then we will try to let ourselves be enriched by that insight, while embracing it from the core of our own convictions and our

own identity. For the deeper, stronger and richer that identity is, the more we will be capable of enriching others with our own proper contribution.

107. We Catholics possess in sacred Scripture a treasure that other religions do not accept, even though at times they may read it with interest and even esteem some of its teachings. We attempt to do something similar with the sacred texts of other religions and religious communities, which contain "precepts and doctrines that... often reflect a ray of that truth which enlightens all men and women".[144] We also possess a great treasure in the seven sacraments, which some Christian communities do not accept in their totality or in the same sense. At the same time that we believe firmly in Jesus as the sole Redeemer of the world, we cultivate a deep devotion to his Mother. Even though we know that this is not the case with all Christian confessions, we feel it our duty to share with the Amazon region the treasure of that warm, maternal love which we ourselves have received. In fact, I will conclude this Exhortation with a few words addressed to Mary.

[Pope Francis, Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhoration QUERIDA AMAZONIA—to the people of God and to all persons

PENDING: 10/11 July 2021				
Acolytes	8am: I	James Dinning Ernie Gartner Kilifi Huihui		
Ministers	8am: I	Charmaine Jansz, Erika Hien Michael Mifsud, Fennie Balatbat Barbara Chandler, Carole Brooks		
Readers	8am:	Vigil: Jemma Sarmiento, Crystal Menezes 8am: Jo Cabasa, Anne McNally 9.30am: Antony T Joseph, Kamela Huihui		
Flowers	Claudette & Karen			
Church cleaning	15 July	Cathy Hutchings, Melvyn Fernandes, Sandy Manamperi		

PENDING: 17/18 July 2021				
Acolytes	Vigil: Abel Do Rosario 8am: Terry Jordan 9.30am Fayelene Kennedy			
Ministers	Vigil: James Dinning, Louise La Guidara 8am: Chrisha Gonzales, Helen Gonzales 9.30am: Mercy Aquino, Paul Gow			
Readers	Vigil: Noreen Do Rosario, Marinela Simic 8am: Nina Arambulo, Pepitio Ferriols 9.30am: Christina Diaz, Helen Katopau			
Altar Servers	Vigil: Alex La Guidara, Christina La Guidara, Samuel Thoms 8am: Diana Park, Philip Park, Sean Park 9.30am Sofia Culili, Celestina Katopau, Oliana Katopau			
Morning Tea	Parish Council			
Flowers	Fennie & Angela			
Church cleaning	24 July Helen Gonzales, Dennis Gonzales, Novelo Paylaga, Adrian Pinto, Johnson Rozario, Maricel Santos			
Welcomers	Vigil: John Jordan 8am: Joyce Hillbrick 9.30am: Lena Falzon			

#### Our Lady of Lourdes

Ever immaculate Virgin, Mother of mercy, health of the sick, refuge of sinners, comfort of the afflicted, you know my needs, my troubles, my sufferings; cast on me a look of pity. By appearing in the grotto of Lourdes, you were pleased to make it a privileged sanctuary, from which you dispense your favours, and already many sufferers have obtained the cure of their infirmities, both spiritual and physical.

I come, therefore, with the most unbounded confidence to implore your maternal intercession.

Obtain most loving mother, my requests, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

Amen.



## HAVE YOU VISITED OUR PARISH WEBSITE LATELY??

Our parish website is updated regularly with news and upcoming events - everything from youth news to social justice to Live-stream Mass times, bulletins, and much more - a great way to stay up to date with what's on in our parish! Visit www.olol7hills.org.au



#### **DIOCESAN NEWS**



Family Assistance 1800 606 724 Monday to Friday, 9am to 4pm

Anyone who is experiencing financial hardship may benefit from the service. Emergency relief may be given in the form of food parcels, food vouchers, and assistance with utility bills, clothing, furniture and referral. The assistance given is based on the assessment conducted by our volunteer members at the time of the home visit.

Domestic Violence - Alert 1800 737732 <a href="https://www.vinnies.org.au/page/Find\_Help/NSW/General\_support">https://www.vinnies.org.au/page/Find\_Help/NSW/General\_support</a>

#### **SEA SUNDAY NATIONAL APPEAL: 11 July**

Today is Sea Sunday, when the church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Even during a pandemic, seafarers continue to bring into our ports products that sustain our population and economy. The Appeal today is for Stella Maris, Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church which supports seafarers both practically and spiritually. To assist this ministry, please send your donations to <a href="mailto:bit.ly/seasunday2021">bit.ly/seasunday2021</a>

OFFICE FOR WORSHIP Liturgical Ministry Formation Course The Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses will be running a second time in August. This is formation for anyone interested in serving in the Liturgical Ministries of Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion and Communion to the Sick and Dying and Ministers at the Altar. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact the Office for Worship on (02) 8838 3456 or <a href="mailto:anne.alimangohan@parracatholic.org">anne.alimangohan@parracatholic.org</a> or download the August 2021 enrolment form via officeforworship.org.au

#### **NATIONAL CATHOLIC MEN'S GATHERING: 31 July**

The National Catholic Men's Gathering for 2021 will be launched online on Saturday 31 July. Join a diocesan group with your Bishop, or with your Men's Ministry/Parish group or individually. Three sessions will be provided online, along with reflection questions for group discussion or individual reflection. The gathering aims to inspire and encourage all Catholic men with a vision for personal discipleship, service and mission in the family, parish/diocese and the world. Register for free at

www.catholicmensgathering.com.au

#### FINDING GOD IN AUSTRALIA RETREAT:

**6 – 8 August** Fr John Hill CSsR will be presenting a retreat on "Finding God in Australia" at the St Clement's Retreat Centre, Galong, NSW, from 6 to 8 August. This retreat will provide an opportunity to reflect about life here in Australia and to renew the foundations of faith for the future. Ensuite rooms are \$350, with shared facilities \$300. To register, please contact (02) 6380 5222 or email info@stclement.com.au

#### GET VACCINATED FOR THE COMMON GOOD

Vaccination against COVID-19 is a morally good thing, providing protection for the person vaccinated and the wider community. Pope Francis and the Australian Bishops have advised that it is morally permissible to receive any vaccine made available. More information is available at https://www.catholic.org.au/coronavirus

Welcome to The Well The Diocese of Parramatta proudly announces its latest initiative — *The Well*. In what can be described as 'Netflix for Catholics', *The Well* is a new online platform that provides free, 'ondemand' inspiration for families, children, young people and faith communities. Explore fresh offerings every week on topical issues that inform, entertain and challenge. Check it out at www.thewell.org.au

Liturgy Help - Personal and Family Prayer. In this time of crisis, we are providing Catholics with access to a range of resources for personal and family prayer. To access these free resources, go to: liturgyhelp.com/aus/parra/pray (login / register as a new user)

SOCIAL JUSTICE COVID-19 Food and Toiletries Drive Jesuit Refugee Service and House of Welcome are dealing with a 400% increase in emergency assistance calls and are needing to feed over 1,000 people facing destitution each week. You can help by running a food and toiletry drive or donating yourself. Find more information at parracatholic.org/diocesanfooddrive.

CATHOLIC CARE BLACKTOWN Neighbourhood Aid Volunteers Needed Blacktown Neighbour Aid, a program with CatholicCare, is looking for volunteers to support our senior clients in the Blacktown area to remain living independently in their own home. If you feel you would like to make a positive difference to other's lives in this way, please contact the Manager, Deb Woolacott on 0418 114 055 or email deb.woolacott@ccss.org.au.

CATHOLIC CARE COMMUNITY VISITORS SCHEME—Volunteers Needed The Community Visitors Scheme, a program with Catholic Care, is looking for volunteers to provide a friendly visit to residents in local Aged Care Facilities who are lonely or isolated from their family and friends. If you feel you could spare one hour a week or a fortnight to help a person feel more valued and respected, please contact the Manager, Deb Woolacott on 0418 114 055 or email deb.woolacott@ccss.org.au.



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